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JAPANESE SOLDIERS' MONUMENT, TIENTSIN

GOD GAVE THE INCREASE



FILIAL PIETY ALLEY, PEKING
LEADING TO THE METHODIST MISSION



NE church reports a net increase for the year of two hundred per cent.

One district was blessed with a net increase in members of thirty-nine per cent.

The entire Conference shows a net increase in members and probationers of twenty-four per cent.

The medical work passed all previous records in the number of treatments in the hospitals and dispensaries.

All the schools are crowded, while the demand for Christian education is growing, especially for instruction in English.

In no point have there been greater gains than in the contributions of the church toward the support of their pastors and their schools.

The most cheering gain is shown in the number of students in the University who have during the year pledged to give their lives to Christian work among their own people.

IN a new day school in Tientsin one little girl came regularly, but refused to study, though she listened attentively to the others. On inquiry, it was found that her grandfather, who is a Christian, sent her to school; but her mother, who is not a Christian, promised to beat her if she studied. Later the mother attended a women's meeting and was ashamed because she was the only woman present who could not read. She is now learning to read, is an inquirer, and urges her daughter to study.

THE LABORERS ARE FEW



THE six districts of North China Conference contain more people than do the United States and Great Britain combined.

The smallest of the districts contains more people than there are North American Indians from the Rio Grande River to the Arctic Sea.

The largest district is larger than Iowa and Illinois together, and has more inhabitants than the whole of the Japanese Empire.

The ordained ministers of the Conference number thirteen foreigners and twenty-two Chinese.

Of these, five foreigners and three Chinese give nearly all their time to educational work, leaving twenty-seven ordained men for the direct evangelistic work.

This represents one ordained man for every five million people within the Conference limits.

Thank God there are other Missions than our own at work in North China!



A STREET RESTAURANT, TIENTSIN

THE FIELDS ARE WHITE



OUTSIDE THE WALL OF A SHANTUNG CITY



THE story of the Welsh revival has moved the church to much prayer. From this many revivals have begun.

The missionaries traveling in Shantung, where Boxerism originated, find the people kindly disposed, and many interested in Christianity.

Probably more than half a million people make the annual pilgrimage to T'ai Shan, the great sacred mountain. Our mission at T'aian-fu has the opportunity to influence this representative and interested host.

The interest in Christianity deepens. One group of twelve appointments sold over twenty thousand copies of the Bible and Bible portions, as well as \$200 worth of other Christian books.

Everywhere throughout the Conference the street chapels are filled with attentive listeners. The chapels are open from two to five hours a day, and nearly five thousand people a day listen to the preaching.

THE FIELDS ARE WHITE



EVERY sign points to more cause for encouragement than in any year since 1900.

Many appeals come for preaching places to be opened in unoccupied cities and towns.

Training classes for members, in which the Bible and Christian doctrine are taught, are in demand.

At Feich'eng, Shantung, the missionaries found men in the meeting who had walked twenty miles to attend the service, and who returned to their homes the same day.

In a difficult section of the city of Tientsin a Christian man invited friends to his home to hear the Gospel. They became interested and invited others. In a short time it was necessary to rent a special building for these meetings, which were held nightly.

THE small son of Dr. Gloss's hospital assistant had observed that a patient can cause much family trouble by swallowing a liberal dose of opium. Being reprov'd one day for running away, he triumphantly said to his mother: "I shall take opium and die, and then you will have to buy me a coffin."



THE DRUM TOWER CH'ANGLI

PRAY YE THEREFORE



IN THE GREAT BRASS TEMPLE, T'AIAN-FU



ESTIMATES have been made for the following new workers: A physician for Tientsin, two evangelists, and five Woman's Society missionaries.

A resolution was passed in Conference to urgently appeal for a doubling of the present evangelistic force at once.

The following are some of the immediate needs unpro-

vided for: Three Chinese preachers at \$100 a year. Six Chinese preachers at \$120 a year. One preacher at \$180 a year. \$100 a year for each of two training schools for Chinese lay helpers.

For a good street chapel property in the metropolis of North China, \$5,000.

For properties in three walled cities in Shantung, \$1,000 each.

For new properties in five large, unoccupied market towns, \$250 each.

For new properties in four other large market towns, yet unoccupied, from \$300 to \$500 each.

IN the revival meetings at Fengjun a man received a great blessing. He immediately sought his wife and mother in the congregation, telling them of his joy and praying with and for them. Such an act was contrary to all Chinese ideas of propriety, but was a triumph of grace.

PRAY YE THEREFORE



IN addition to the foregoing there is especial need for: \$5,000 to build a hospital for men in T'aian-fu, and from \$100 to \$500 to build chapels, or parsonages, or to adapt old Chinese buildings for chapel purposes in each of seven cities.

The educational work suffers greatly from lack of equipment. Among the most pressing needs are:

\$500 for land for the Lan-chou School, and \$1,000 for buildings.

The Peking Girls' School: \$100 for each of fifty memorial dormitory rooms, and \$6,000 to raise the debt on the new school buildings.



THE T'AIAN-FU BOYS' SCHOOL BAND



GEORGE L. DAVIS AT A CHRISTMAS FEAST
12 CENTS A PLATE

Peking University needs:

\$30,000 for a collegiate building.

\$40,000 for a library and administration building.

\$30,000 for a foreign professorship.

\$15,000 for Chinese professorships.

\$100 for each of one hundred perpetual scholarships.

\$30 for each of one hundred annual scholarships.

HEAL THE SICK



A T'AIAN-FU WIDOW'S HAT, GIVEN BY THE EMPEROR
FOR REMAINING A WIDOW FIFTY YEARS



WO new women's hospitals are being erected at Peking and at T'ai-an-fu, and a men's hospital at Ch'angli is nearly completed.

The physicians of the Mission gave on an average about ten thousand treatments each during the Conference year.

Hospital patients are not always grateful. A Mohammedan woman was housed, fed, clothed, and treated free for three months. When dismissed, cured, she left in a rage because this charity was not permanent.

A boy with an unsightly harelip and cleft palate was so improved by an operation that his parents were able at once to purchase him a wife. Soon three others came from the same neighborhood, about fifty miles distant, and said there were still others who would come if they were cured.

A man was brought to the Ch'angli hospital suffering acutely from several ailments which made him a hopeless cripple. His pain had not been lessened by the two hundred punctures along the spine which a Chinese doctor had made with a large needle. After remaining in the hospital several weeks he was relieved of much suffering and went back to his village rejoicing and witnessing to the greater healing which had come to his soul.

A MONGOL prince and his wife, who is a sister to the famous Prince Su, visited the Peking Girls' School. They support a school of sixty girls in Mongolia, and were gathering suggestions from schools conducted according to Western ideas. They brought ten nicely uniformed and well-behaved Mongolian girls with them to get their "eyes opened."

THE OPPRESSED GO FREE



WOMEN'S TRAINING SCHOOL, TIENTSIN



THE wives of six teachers and preachers on the Lan-chou District have unbound their feet.

One Training School woman after unbinding her feet said: "I never was free until now. Think of my more than forty years of bondage!"

Nearly all the women who came to the Women's Training Schools with bound feet unbound them during the year.

"Do you know how to play tennis?" I asked my teacher, Mrs. Wen. "O, no," she said. "Girls in China are taught that it is not ladylike to play games." "But what do they do for amusement?" I asked. "They may dress up and sit with their hands folded, or they may do beautiful embroidery, or they may talk with their friends. But even if it were proper for them, how could they run and play games with their little bound feet?"

All the girls in the Girls' School unbind their feet. This is one of the conditions of entrance.

WISDOM AND KNOWLEDGE SHALL BE



THE new preparatory school building, Pilcher Hall, of Peking University is nearly completed.

The University printing press has been reopened.

Two hundred and sixty-eight students were enrolled in Peking University this year. This is a gain of twenty over the enrollment of last year.

Military drill continues to be popular among the students, and there is a growing interest in athletics. A competitive field day was held with the North China College of T'ung-chou.

The Medical Department of Peking University plans to unite with the proposed Medical College of the North China Educational Union, to form the Union Medical College of Peking.

The Imperial University at Peking has copied the entire college curriculum of Peking University, with the exception of some of the Chinese studies.

Speaking of Peking University, Sir Robert Hart said: "Dr. Lowry is fitting young men for service in China. His work will outlast ours."



OLD TEMPLE USED FOR PEKING UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

THE STABILITY OF THY TIMES



PEKING UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AT DRILL



N the four Intermediate Schools which are under the direction of alumni of Peking University there are two hundred and seventeen pupils.

Dr. Wang, a former student, contributes \$100 a year to the support of students in Peking University.

Of the thirty-three graduates of the College of Liberal Arts of Peking University, twenty-two are engaged in Christian work, while eight others have given several years of service to the church.

The University revival of the spring of 1904, which resulted in the formation of the "Volunteer Band," is one of the most encouraging points of progress in the work of the Mission for this year.

It is the aim of Peking University to prepare students for whatever profession they may choose, and at the same time to surround them with such a religious atmosphere that many of them will choose to devote their lives to the work of the church.

DURING a revival meeting a widow was much distressed for her son. The church prayed for him repeatedly. Members went on several occasions to his home, but he could never be found. During the last meeting but one he suddenly appeared in the room, confessed his sin, and asked for prayers. He was soon happy, and the mother and friends were praising God.

THEREFORE GET WISDOM



"STANDARD BEARERS" OF THE PEKING
GIRLS' SCHOOL



THE Peking Girls' School has had over two hundred students in attendance this year.

In response to a demand an Anglo-Chinese school for the daughters of the gentry and of wealthy Chinese is to be established in Tientsin. It is expected that this school will be self-supporting.

Of the eight girls who graduated last year from the Peking Girls' School, one has become the wife of a preacher, one is to study medicine, two are teaching in schools for women, three teach in day schools, and one teaches in the Girls' School.

Our mission schools are crowded, although the government schools are seeking students and pay them for attending.

Two hundred and seventy-seven pupils were registered in the five Intermediate Schools. A large number are from non-Christian families.

Eighty women attended the four Women's Training Schools.

The number of day schools is limited only by the available funds and the satisfactory teachers to be found.



A TIENTSIN GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL

CONSECRATED UNTO THE LORD



STUDENT revival in Peking University last year resulted in the formation of a "Volunteer Band."

The devotion and interest of this group has grown during the year. Now there are sixty-three in this Band.

A student summer campaign of evangelism was organized, through which many of the boys spent last summer helping pastors throughout the Conference. Nearly sixty spent the summer of 1905 in this campaign.

Through the National Young Men's Christian Association of China two of these Volunteers will spend part of next year traveling in the interest of what might be called the Chinese Student Volunteer Movement for Home Missions.

The Volunteers at Peking University have not made a declaration, but have taken this vow: "We give our bodies and our souls to God.

Whatever he commands us we will obey. If we fall into sin, we pray him to recall us. If we break our solemn vow, we pray God to visit punishment upon us."



A MEMORIAL TABLET TO THIRTY-NINE MARTYRS
OF A VILLAGE CHURCH

TWO children of the T'ian-fu day school were beaten when they confessed to having allowed Miss Steere to take their pictures. To quiet the fears of the parents, Mrs. Li told them that the sacred mountain had had its picture taken many times and was still intact. This reasoning assured them that their children were in no danger.

ESTEEM THEM FOR THEIR WORK



MOTHER WANG, OF T'AIAN-FU, PREACHING FROM HER WHEELBARROW



PEKING UNIVERSITY has an active Young Men's Christian Association.

The Young Men's Christian Association is organized in all the mission colleges of North China.

There is an International Army Association with an American secretary among the Legation Guards at Peking.

In Tientsin there is a flourishing Young Men's Christian Association, with two American secretaries.

This Association has two branches, one in the native city for local men; and one in the foreign settlement, conducted chiefly in English, for young Chinese business men, most of whom come from the South.

WHATSOEVER THINGS ARE TRUE



WEALTHY man attended an all-day service to learn what Christianity really meant. At the close he bought about \$40 worth of Christian books, and remarked: "I like your religion because it provides a proper 'Lord of the heart.'"

In a country station in Shantung a missionary asked the people what he had talked about three months before on his visit. Several people promptly told him every point in his sermon.

One poor Chinaman felt the need of Christian workers so much that he gave up his position as mail carrier and became a colporteur at half his former wages.

About thirty thousand coolies have gone from North China to work in the mines of South Africa. They go on a three-years' contract. Among them are many members of the Methodist and other churches.

For building the new church at T'aian-fu the members contributed about \$100, some of them giving a month's salary. This church also supports an assistant pastor for work on the circuit and in the street chapel.



THE SHANTUNG BUCKBOARD



WHEELBARROW ON A FERRY, SHANTUNG

The Intermediate School at Lan-chou has a campus one hundred and fifty feet square. On this are dormitories for fifty boys, a schoolhouse, the home of the head teacher, a donkey stable, and a pigpen.

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ON THE CITY WALL, PEKING

